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Honorable Stephen Johnson, Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) P.O.Box 1473 Merrifield, VA 22116

Attention: Chemical Right-to-Know

Subject: Stepan Company Response to EPA's Comments of August 8, 2006 for Sodium 2-(2-dodecyloxyethoxy) Ethyl Sulfate, Original HPV Submission of July 12, 2006

Dear Administrator Johnson:

Stepan Company is pleased to submit the attached response to EPA's comments of August 8, 2006 on its initial test plan submission of July 12, 2006 for Sodium 2-(2-dodecyloxyethoxy) ethyl sulfate, CAS# 3088-31-1.

The attached submission (Alcohol Ethoxysulphates dossier) has been revised based on the guidelines provided to us by Mr. Mark Townsend of the EPA.

If you require additional information, please contact Lela Jovanovich, Ph.D., our contact for the HPVC Program at (847) 501-2272 or <u>ljovanovich@stepan.com</u>.

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Sincerely,

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